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PLEASE PASS TO HOWELL BUTLER, SRO PROJECT CHIEF.

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: VISIT OF HOWELL BUTLER, SEISMIC RESEARCH ORGANIZATION PROJECT

REF: STATE 233004

1. REGRET THAT OCTOBER 9 AND 10 NOT REPEAT NOT AT ALL
SUITABLE FOR VISIT TO ANKARA. SUGGEST YOU ARRANGE TO
ARRIVE NO EARLIER THAN OCTOBER 13.

2. OCTOBER 6, 7 AND 8 ARE ONE OF TURKEY'S MAJOR RELIGIOUS
HOLIDAYS AND ALL GOVERNMENT OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED. METU
UNIVERSITY WILL NOT OPEN UNTIL AFTER THE HOLIDAYS ON OCTOBER 13.

3. EMBASSY WAS UNABLE TO CONTACT ANY PROFESSIONAL STAFF
INVOLVED WITH SRO AT METU, EXCEPT NIYAZI TURKELLI.
TURKELLI WILL BE IN ISTANBUL ALL NEXT WEEK, BUT AGREED TO
RETURN TO ANKARA ON THURSDAY IF ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY. HE
SAID, HOWEVER, THAT NO ONE ELSE WOULD BE AT THE UNIVERSITY.
IN ADDITION, DRS. YASAR AND CELEBI WHO ARE MAINSTAYS OF SRO
PROJECT HAVE BEEN IN MILITARY SERVICE FOR PAST THREE MONTHS,
BUT ACCORDING TO TURKELLI WILL RETURN TO WORK AT METU ON
OCTOBER 13.

4. MAST ALSO LEAVING FOR TWO WEEKS LEAVE ON OCTOBER 4, SO
YOUR CONTACT AT EMBASSY SHOULD YOU ARRIVE BEFORE OCTOBER 20,
WILL BE MR. HAROLD AISLEY.

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5. REGRET INCONVENIENCE THIS WILL CAUSE BUT SEE NO OTHER SOLU-

TION. ON OTHER SUBJECT, WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR CONTACTING BATSON
INITECH AND ASKING FOR AIRWAY BILL OF SHIPMENT OF DRILLING
SUPPLIES SENT TO METU ON SEPTEMBER 17, 1975 WHICH METU
SAYS THEY NEED TO CLEAR GOODS.
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